

OUR CHANGING WAY OF LIFE

I. Use the words in brackets to form a word that fits in the gaps. Modify the word given by adding prefixes or suffixes



Change happens **constantly** (CONSTANT) as the last 50 years have proved. Some changes, such as air travel, the Internet and mobile phones, provide ease and **convenience** (CONVENIENT). Others, like access to education, have had a deeper impact.

Nothing has had a bigger influence on our lives than recent changes in education. Fifty years ago, education was considered by some an **unnecessary** (NECESSARY) luxury. Nowadays, however, education isn't just a privilege for the **privileged** (CHOOSE) few. Young men and women from all areas of life are becoming **professionals** (PROFESSION) and improving their quality of life. This will be **beneficial** (BENEFIT) to future generations because a better-educated society is a fairer and more skilled one.

Ironically (IRONY), however, the change from rural to urban living that drove people to cities in search of better opportunities has led to several modern-day problems. City dwellers have become less **healthy** (HEALTH). They no longer eat fresh farm food, and instead, prefer ready meals and fast food. Urban **residents** (RESIDE) no longer exercise by working the land. They use their cars instead of walking.



Even though we are so **technological** (TECHNOLOGY) advanced, we are also **fools** (FOOL). We destroy our forests, build more cars and roads, and eat rubbish. **Environment** (ENVIRONMENT) will all tell you that the future looks bleak. More change is on the way and, unless we change the way we think, the next fifty years will be very difficult.